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Dear Mr. Newman:

Relative to our conversation regarding the Rosas Doublon, would the following coins interest you in trade?

ALBANIA	#25	100	franka	ari	1937
	26	20	"	"	1937
	29	100	"	"	1938
	32	50	"	"	1938

If you are not interested in this series, what series would, or perhaps you would like to make a cash price for the Argentine coin.

With the compliments of the season and with kindest regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,
MORTIMER HAMMEL

Mortimer Hammel
414 West 44th St.,
New York 18, N. Y.

MH/FC

October 20, 1948

Mr. Mortimer Hammel
414 West 44th Street
New York 18, New York

Dear Mr. Hammel:

I owe you a sincere apology for not answering your letter of December 19, 1947. It was sent to the St. Louis Stamp & Coin Company and ended up in one of their files. I did, however, see it before it concealed itself, and so I have no excuses.

I understand we are both friends of Judge Frankenthaler and are cheering for him in the coming election.

As to the Rosas Doubloon, I do not feel that you give it the same respect as I do from the ^{18th} ~~19th~~ for the modern Albanian pieces. I wish you had some pioneer gold, or some Central or South American common doubloons which could be the basis of a trade, but if you do not feel that its rarity merite a value somewhat equivalent to what the same rarity would be in the American series, I believe we shall reach an impasse. Mr. Johnson valued the coin at \$2500.00.

Again, apologies for not responding sooner.

Sincerely yours,

EPNewman/me

November 20, 1948

Mr. Eric P. Newman,
315 Washington Ave.,
St. Louis 2, Mo.

Dear Mr. Newman:

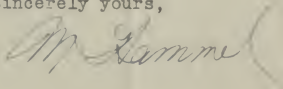
It was nice hearing from you even if it took almost a year, however we both can be proud of George's election.

Regarding the Rosas doubloon, if the price was right, it would have been sold long ago, as it was offered to almost every dealer and collector throughout the world. Confidentially it is way overpriced.

The next time you visit New York, look me up and I will tell you some interesting facts about this coin. I once owned it and returned it to the Green estate.

Best regards,

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "M. Lamm", is written over the typed name "M. Lamm". The signature is fluid and cursive.

MH/FC

October 12, 1949

Mr. Eric P. Newman,
315 Washington Ave.,
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Mr. Newman:

It is almost a year since we dropped each other a line. How are you anyway?

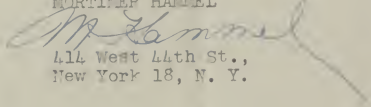
It has come to my attention that there is an estate, consisting of a large collection of U. S. and South American coins, to be sold by a bank in your State.

I am only interested in the foreign end, and thought perhaps we could tackle it together, whereby you could handle the U. S.

Do you happen to know of same?

Awaiting your reply with interest and with kind regards.

Sincerely yours,
MORTIMER HAMMEL



414 West 44th St.,
New York 18, N. Y.

MH/FC

October 14, 1949

Mr. Mortimer Hammel
414 West 44th Street
New York 18, New York

Dear Mr. Hammel:

I have not been to New York since I promised to call on you the next time I visited your city. I feel very out of touch with things not having had occasion to visit New York as there are a number of other collectors whom I have promised a visit in due course.

In any event, maybe you will get out this way, and I am sure you realize that you are more than welcome at any time.

Your reference to a large collection of coins to be sold by a bank in this area is a manner concerning which I am not aware, and I assume that by indicating the State of Missouri you mean some other part than St. Louis. I would very much appreciate knowing a little more about it, if you are in a position to give the information to me, and I will be glad to consider going in with you if there are a substantial number of items which would be of benefit to my collection.

Most of my work now has been with Colonial coins and paper money, but I branch from one subject to another like a flighty school girl.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely,

FPNewman/fm

October 17, 1949

Mr. Eric P. Newman,
315 Washington Ave.,
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Mr. Newman:

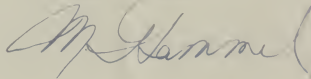
With further reference to the collection in question, I think that the party that told me about same was trying to mislead me as to the identity and location, but as far as I can gather it may be in Kansas City and the name is Wilkes or something like that.

Perhaps you can check this.

Should I go to Hot Springs this winter, will pay you a visit.

Kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "M. L. Gammel". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "M" and a long, sweeping underline.

MH/FC

January 26, 1950

Dear Mr. Newman:

Not having heard from you, I presume that you were unsuccessful in finding out any information regarding that large collection. I am in the same boat.

Would you be willing to sell the roses doubloon at this time, if so, what price or trade?

Kindest regards,

Sincerely,
MORTIMER HAMMILL

414 West 11th St.,
New York 18, N. Y.

ME/TC

February 27, 1950

Mr. Mortimer Hammel
414 West 44th Street
New York 18, New York

Dear Mr. Hammel:

There has been nothing but illness in the family this winter, hence I did not get a chance to reply to your letter of January 26, 1950.

As far as the so-called large collection is concerned, I still have no information and cannot help you run down this rumor.

I would be willing to trade the Rosas Doubleloon for some item in which I had more interest but am not sure whether you appreciate its real rarity. I have never heard of another specimen outside of the Argentine, and there are, so far as I can learn, only one or two there. Of course, many people claim they have the item, which, on examination, turns out to be an imitation. Mr. Johnson advised me that it was the rarest coin of the entire South American series.

I will be glad to consider any suggestions you might have with respect to items you can trade for it.

If you are ever in St. Louis, don't hesitate to pay me a visit.

Sincerely yours,

EFNewman/me

May 3, 1950

Dear Mr. Newman:

Thanks for your letter dated February 27th and would have answered you sooner, but just returned from the South a few days ago.

Please give me an idea what you would be interested in for the Roses Doubleloon and also what valuation you place upon it at this time.

I do not have much in the line of duplication to trade, but may be able to scout around and find something to your liking.

Sorry to learn of the illness in your family and trust that all have recovered.

Kind regards,

Sincerely,

McConnell

P.S. I am in contact with Mrs. Sheffield.
Would there be anything of interest there?

*414 W. 24th St
New York 11 4*

August 8, 1950

Mr. Eric P. Newman,
114 Washington Avenue,
St. Louis 2, Mo.

Dear Mr. Newman:

Did you ever receive my letter of May 3rd?

I recently purchased a collection of Central
and South American coins of which there are about twenty
Doubloons. *See above*

Would you be interested in these against a
trade for the Rosas Doubloon? If so, I will send you a list
for your consideration.

Trusting that you are having a pleasant
summer and with kindest regards.

Sincerely,
WATSON H. MERRILL

Watson H. Merrill
414 East 11th St..
New York 18, N. Y.

WH/EC

Answered in long hand

8/11/50

OK to send list,

August 15, 1950

Dear Mr. Newton:

In accordance with your request, I am herewith listing the Doubloons for your consideration in trade for the Rouss Doubloon.

BOLIVIA	1805
	1824
	1843
	1853
CHILE	1803
	1809
	1816
	1819
	1830
	1833
COLOMBIA	1799P
	1800B
	1810P
	1836P
	1841B
	1846P
	1820B
CHANDOR	1855
GUATEMALA	1868
PERU	1833

I hope that you had a swell vacation and that everyone is on the mend in your family.

Kind regards,

Sincerely,

